

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 27, from line 14 through line 17, with the following paragraph:

-- S14 contains a zinc ion coordinated by four cysteines from a CXXC-X12-CXXC (SEQ ID NO:1) motif. This motif is structurally similar to that found in the first zinc finger in the glucocorticoid receptor. This zinc binding motif is not conserved among all bacteria, although many of the residues surrounding it are, suggesting perhaps that in other organisms the protein folds via a hydrophobic core.--